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COURSE BROCHURE

Foreign Exchange Payment Mechanisms and Systems Management

Services / Transport, Operations and Logistics

Unit Standard 252277 · NQF Level 5 · 8 Credits · 5 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the knowledge and skills to implement and manage foreign exchange payment mechanisms and systems effectively. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of forex operations, risk management, and regulatory compliance within the South African context.

Category	Services
Subfield	Transport, Operations and Logistics
Unit Standard	252277
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 8 Credits
Duration	5 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply foreign exchange payment mechanisms and systems in a business environment.
- Analyze the impact of exchange rate fluctuations on international payments.
- Evaluate compliance requirements for cross-border transactions under South African regulations.
- Implement risk management strategies to mitigate foreign exchange exposure.
- Demonstrate the ability to process and reconcile foreign exchange payments accurately.
- Design internal controls for managing foreign exchange payment systems.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for finance professionals, treasury managers, accountants, and banking personnel who are responsible for foreign exchange transactions and payment systems in their organizations.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Foreign Exchange and Payment Systems

- Overview of foreign exchange markets and exchange rate mechanisms.
- Participants: banks, corporates, central banks, brokers.
- Payment systems: wire transfers, letters of credit, documentary collections.
- Introduction to SWIFT messaging and ISO 20022 standards.
- Regulatory bodies: SARB, FSCA, and international frameworks.
- Basics of AML, KYC, and sanctions screening.
- Risks in forex payments: settlement, operational, and fraud.
- Case study: A typical cross-border payment flow.

Day 2: Payment Mechanisms and Settlement Systems

- RTGS vs. net settlement: SAMOS, SADC-RTGS.
- Payment instruments: SWIFT MT103, MT202, MT700.
- Correspondent banking: nostro/vostro relationships.
- Value dating, cut-off times, and liquidity management.
- Settlement risk and the Herstatt risk.
- Introduction to CLS Bank and PvP settlement.
- Hands-on: Mapping a payment flow using SWIFT messages.
- Regulatory reporting requirements for cross-border payments.

Day 3: Managing Forex Operations and Risk

- Operational risk management: dual controls, segregation of duties.
- Market risk: spot, forward, swap transactions.
- Hedging strategies for corporates and financial institutions.
- Treasury operations: cash flow forecasting, funding.
- Reconciliation of nostro accounts and break investigation.
- Fraud detection and prevention in forex payments.
- Stress testing and scenario analysis.
- Practical exercise: Reconciling a nostro statement.

Day 4: Technology and Systems for Forex Payments

- Payment hubs and processing engines.
- SWIFT interfaces: Alliance Access, Alliance Gateway.
- File-based vs. real-time API integration.
- STP rates and exception management workflows.
- Blockchain and distributed ledger in cross-border payments.
- ISO 20022 migration and impact on systems.
- System security: encryption, authentication, access controls.
- Demo: Configuring a payment message in a test environment.

Day 5: Compliance, Auditing, and Future Trends

- AML/CFT compliance: transaction monitoring, reporting.
- Sanctions screening: OFAC, UN, EU lists.
- Audit trail requirements and record keeping.
- Internal audit procedures for payment systems.
- Emerging trends: CBDCs, real-time payments, open banking.

- Sustainability and ESG considerations in forex.
- Final project: Design a payment operations framework.
- Course wrap-up and assessment.

ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATION

Delegates are assessed through exercises and a final test. A mark of **50% or above** earns an **AATICD Certificate of Completion**, issued digitally with a unique verification code. This course carries **8 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 24,200.00	R 24,200.00
1	In-House	R 31,400.00	R 31,400.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 36,200.00	R 36,200.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
17 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
17 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa

Contact us if no suitable date is listed – on-demand sessions can be arranged for groups.

HOW TO GET A QUOTE OR APPLY

1. **Get an instant quotation online:** visit www.aaticd.co.za, open the page for this course (Unit Standard 252277) and click **Get A Quote / Apply**. Select your training method and number of delegates – your quotation is generated immediately and emailed to you with the course brochure attached.
2. **Apply by email:** send the course title, your preferred training method (Online, In-House or On-Campus Pretoria), the number of delegates and your preferred dates to apply@aaticd.co.za – our team will reply with a formal quotation.
3. **Apply by phone or WhatsApp:** call +27 12 004 8389 or WhatsApp +27 65 077 6310 and we will prepare your quotation and reserve your seats.
4. **Confirm your booking:** accept the quotation and settle the invoice. As soon as payment is confirmed your delegates are enrolled and receive their AATICD LMS login details by email, along with joining instructions for their chosen training method.

Group discounts apply automatically – the more delegates you enrol, the lower the price per delegate. No payment is required to request a quotation.

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